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FINDING AID TO THE BARBARA MARIE STEPHENS SULLIVAN CAPE CANAVERAL AND EAU GALLIE, FLORIDA PHOTOGRAPHS AND MEMORABILIA, 1950-1986

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Descriptive Summary

Creator Information	Sullivan, Barbara Marie Stephens, 1927-2013
Title	Barbara Marie Stephens Sullivan Cape Canaveral and Eau Gallie, Florida photographs and memorabilia
Collection Identifier	MSP 202
Date Span	1950-1986, predominant 1965-1969
Abstract	This collection includes photographs, NASA brochures and public relations publications, newspapers, and a NASA collectable poster related to the activities at Cape Canaveral in the late 1950s through early 1960s, and material related to the US Space Program activities at the Cape during the mid-1960s through the 1980s. Includes a View Master and two packets of View Master reels on the United States Space Program and Cape Kennedy. Also includes materials related to the nearby community of Eau Gallie, Florida.
Extent	.97 cubic feet (1 mss. box, 1 small archival box, and 1 medium flat box)
Finding Aid Author	Mary A. Segó
Languages	English
Repository	Virginia Kelly Karnes Archives and Special Collections Research Center, Purdue University Libraries

Administrative Information

Location Information:	ASC
Access Restrictions:	Collection is open for research.
Acquisition Information:	Donated by Gretchen Stephens in memory of her sister, Barbara Marie Stephens Sullivan, April 1, 2014
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Subjects and Genres

Persons

Sullivan, Barbara Marie Stephens, 1927-2013
Sullivan, James W., Jr., 1928-2014
Grissom, Virgil I. (Gus), 1926-1967
Chaffee, Roger B., 1935-1967
Young, John W., 1930-
Shephard, Alan B., 1923-1998
Cernan, Eugene A., 1934-
Evans, Ronald E., Jr., 1933-1990
Schmitt, Harrison, "Jack," 1935-

Organizations

RCA Air Force Missile Test Center Patrick AFB Cape Canaveral
U.S. Air Force Titan III Complex
Flight Archives at Purdue University

Topics

Cape Canaveral, Florida
Cape Kennedy, Florida
Eau Gallie, Florida
Gemini 3
Apollo 4 (Spacecraft)
Apollo 8 (Spacecraft)
Apollo 9 (Spacecraft)
Apollo 11 (Spacecraft)
UFOs

Form and Genre Types

Brochures
Commemorative prints
Memorabilia
Newspapers
Photographs
View-Master™
View-Master reels

Occupations

Photographers

Biography of Barbara Marie Stephens Sullivan and James W. Sullivan, Jr.

Barbara Marie Stephens Sullivan was born to Frank E. and Mary Catherine (Bauerlein) Stephens on July 26, 1927 in Nashville, Tennessee. She married James W. Sullivan in 1952, and their jobs took them to Melbourne, Florida. Barbara Sullivan did reporting for the *Eau Gallie Courier* and served as a Beautification/Visitor's Center Coordinator for the City of Melbourne. This collection focuses on this time period of her life. She died on November 17, 2013.

James W. Sullivan, Jr. (Barbara's husband at the time) worked at the RCA Air Force Missile Test Center Patrick AFB Cape Canaveral. He manned the cameras for RCA during the late 1950s-early 1960s. The Missile Test Project was a United States Air Force Program operated by RCA Service Company from Patrick Air Force Base, Florida. Under the program, RCA instrumented and operated various ships and stations on the Air Force Eastern Test Range with electronic tracking and telemetry equipment. The instrumented ships and stations tracked incoming ballistic missiles launched from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station and also tracked unmanned or manned space vehicles orbiting the Earth.

*Historical note: Cape Canaveral was named Cape Kennedy from 1963-1973. The Florida legislature passed a law to restore the name Cape Canaveral on October 9, 1973.

Source(s):

Obituary of Barbara Marie Stephens Sullivan and material related to the collection

Information about the RCA Air Force Missile Test Center Patrick AFB Cape Canaveral and Cape Canaveral/Kennedy came from Wikipedia.

Collection Description

Scope

The Barbara Marie Stephens Sullivan Cape Canaveral and Eau Gallie, Florida photographs and memorabilia (1950-1986; .97 cubic feet) document activities at Cape Canaveral in the late 1950s through early 1960s. Included are selected community and aerospace materials related to the United States Space Program activities at the Cape during the mid-1960s through the 1980s and photographs of Eau Gallie, Florida from this time period.

Of note are brochures and commemorative publications of the John F. Kennedy Space Center; Cape Kennedy; Apollo 11 and 17; and a souvenir booklet of the “3rd Century America,” a bicentennial exposition on science and technology held at Kennedy Space Center in 1976.

Unique photographs feature the first missile launched at Cape Canaveral; photos from around the RCA Air Force Missile Test Center Patrick Air Force Base, Cape Canaveral; United States Air Force Titan III Complex (includes RCA cameras); photographs of John W. Young and Alan B. Shephard and the Gemini-3 spacecraft; several purported images of UFOs; and commemorative prints featuring Apollo 8, 9 and 11.

Commemorative newspapers include the 15th anniversary of the first Cape Kennedy missile launch, Apollo 1, 4 and 11, Space Shuttle Columbia’s first launch and Challenger’s last. Also included are other newspapers related to space history and the “Third Century America,” bicentennial exposition held at Kennedy Space Center in 1976. Types of materials include: photographs, commemorative prints, brochures, public relations publications, full issue commemorative newspapers, and a View Master and reels.

Descriptive Rules

Describing Archives: A Content Standard

Processing Information

All materials have been housed in polyester sleeves, acid-free folders, and acid-free boxes. Oversized prints and newspapers have been separated and boxed for preservation purposes.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

Box 1 *Brochures and Photographs, 1950-1976*

Folder

1. John F. Kennedy Space Center, & United States. (1967). *NASA at the John F. Kennedy Space Center: NASA tours conducted by TWA*. Cape Kennedy, Florida: John F. Kennedy Space Center, NASA.
2. Metal, adhesive backed, 2 ¼" x 3 ¾" nameplate, etched with Apollo 11 astronaut's signatures and President Richard Nixon's signature, "Here Men From the Planet Earth First Set Foot Upon the Moon July 1969, A.D. We Came in Peace for All Mankind"
3. Alexander, G., & USAF Eastern Test Range Public Relations Association. (1970). *Moonport, U.S.A: The fascinating story of Cape Kennedy and this nation's conquest of space* (2nd revision.). Place of publication not identified.
4. John F. Kennedy Space Center. (1972). *Apollo 16: Mission profile: your personal guide to this historic event*. Florida: John F. Kennedy Space Center.
5. *Florida's Space Coast Magazine*, Volume 5, Number 6, December 1972. Melbourne, Florida: Scott Publishing Company. (cover photo features Apollo 17 crew; Dr. Harrison "Jack" Schmitt, Commander Eugene Cernan and Command Module Pilot, Ronald Evans)
6. Souvenir booklet, "3rd Century America: Your nation's bicentennial exposition on science and technology," Kennedy Space Center, 1976
7. NASA photograph (b&w, 8"x10") of first missile launched at Cape Canaveral, July 24, 1950
8. 17 b&w photographs from around the United States Air Force Titan III Complex, circa late 1950s (includes 2 photographs of the RCA cameras)
9. One 8"x10", color photograph of Cape Kennedy (Canaveral), circa early 1960s
10. Two, 8"x10", b&w photographs of astronauts John W. Young and Alan B. Shepard examining the Gemini-3 spacecraft on the day before the scheduled flight, March 22, 1965 (Shepard was chief of the Manned Spacecraft Center Astronaut Office, and Young was pilot of the GT-3 mission)
11. One 8"x10", b&w photograph of the Gemini erector being lowered for test simulations for NASA's Gemini 3 (GT-3) flight of Virgil I. (Gus) Grissom and John W. Young, March 1965
12. 1 aerial, color photograph of the Cape, 12 color photographs related to Apollo 7, 1 color photograph of Buzz Aldrin on the moon, and 4, b&w photographs of UFOs, circa 1968-1969 (all 8"x10")
13. 14, b&w photographs of Eau Gallie, Florida; 1 aerial shot of town, 8 photos show a U.S. Air Force FW-882 being transported through the town to a park, 2 photos marked with *Eau Gallie Courier* on the back, circa 1960s

Box 2 *View-Master and Reels, circa 1959 – early 1960s*

Folder

1. View-Master™ circa 1959
2. Packet of “21 three dimension View-Master pictures; Moon Rockets and Guided Missiles,” 1959
3. Packet of “21 View-Master Stereo Pictures; U.S. Spaceport, John F. Kennedy Space Center NASA,” circa early 1960s

OS Box 3 *Prints, Photographs, and Newspapers, 1965-1986*

Folder

1. Two prints, 11”x14” of Apollo 8-Saturn V liftoff and Earth on the lunar horizon, 1968
2. Four prints, 11”x14” of Apollo 9; Apollo-Saturn V liftoff, lunar module 3rd stage in space, Dave Scott outside spacecraft, and lunar module in space, 1969
3. Three prints, 11”x14” of Apollo 11; 2 (on one sheet) Apollo-Saturn V liftoff scenes, 1 man on the moon scene, 2 (on one sheet) recovery scenes, July 1969
4. *The Cocoa Tribune*, Space Edition, Cocoa, Florida, July 22, 1965
5. *The Cocoa Tribune*, “15th Anniversary Edition First Cape Kennedy Missile Launch,” June 23, 1965
6. “Advertising supplement to *Today* – This is the first of the big shots: NASA’s Apollo 4. 8 hours, 43 minutes and 30 seconds when America will hold its breath,” 1967
7. *Today: Florida’s Space Age Newspaper*, front page section, “Three Astronauts Die In Apollo Cape Fire,” January 28, 1967
8. *Today: Florida’s Space Age Newspaper*, “The Future Begins,” December 22, 1968 (features Apollo 8)
9. *Today: Florida’s Space Age Newspaper*, A Space Age History – A Keepsake Edition, Man’s Odyssey to the Moon, July 1969
10. *The Miami Herald*, A Commemorative Section, ‘We Came in Peace For All Mankind.’ July 25, 1969
11. “Man on the Moon: One small step for man_ _,” A Special Edition of the *Orlando Sentinel*, Sunday, August 3, 1969
12. *Today’s* “Third Century America,” Expo: Welcome to Your Future Now: Kennedy Space Center Exposition: Third Century America, May 30, 1976
13. *Today’s* “Third Century America,” Section G, May 30, 1976
14. ‘3rd Century America: A souvenir edition presented by the *Sentinel Star*, Orlando, Florida, May 30, 1976
15. “*Today’s* Shuttle Logbook: The Launch – The Machine – The People – The Past – The Future,” April 1981
16. *Today: Florida’s Space Age Newspaper*, front page section, “New era dawns; Columbia is GO!” April 10, 1981

17. *Today*, "The Final Test – Shuttle 4," June 26, 1982 (includes a poster of Columbia)
18. *Nashville Banner*, "Space shuttle explodes: 7 astronauts feared dead," January 28, 1986